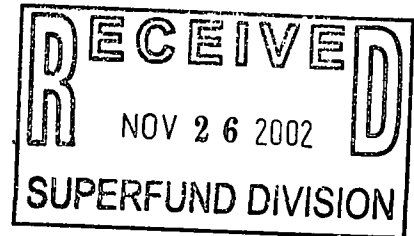




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November 20, 2002

Thomas C. Nash  
U.S. EPA Region 5  
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Remedial Enforcement Support Sect.  
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Chicago, IL 60604 (re:CRS)



RE: Chemical Recovery Systems Superfund Site in Elyria, Ohio

Dear Thomas C. Nash:

I am making a final attempt to correct the information regarding Allegheny Label, Inc. and the mailings we continue to receive addressed to this company. I replied on March 13, 2001 to an initial request for information and notice of Potential liability dated March 2, 2001. In the letter I stated that Allegheny Label, Inc. and Allegheny Plastics, Inc. are not affiliated nor ever have been affiliated under ownership, partnership or merger. I respect your attempts to locate all parties involved in the CRS site, but will point out that you have mistakenly continued to mail us material on this matter.

From information I have been able to find through hours of research I was able to uncover the history of Allegheny Label, Inc. and the name of the current owner and the correct PRP.

Package Service Company, Inc. of Kansas City, Missouri formed Allegheny Graphics, Inc. to acquire the assets of Allegheny Label, Inc. a financially distressed Pittsburgh printing company in April 1990. (See attachment 1 and 2) As you will see, the transfer of ownership is clearly outlined in these articles published in Pittsburgh and Kansas City. I have also included a clipping from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection with Package Service Company, Inc. as an ERC generating facility in Cheswick Pennsylvania. (Attachment 3) Package Service Company, Inc. may also have changed its name to Dot Label, Inc. (Attachment 4 & 5)

I am requesting that you review this information and upon more thorough research of the correct PRP, provide Allegheny Plastics, Inc. with notification of a correction.

Please contact me if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Witenki  
Organizational Development Supervisor

Attachments: 1. Pittsburgh Business Times April 16, 1990; "Allegheny Label Acquired by Kansas City Firm"

2. Kansas City Business Journals April 9, 1990; "KC Firm Seals New Growth, Buys Pittsburgh Company"
3. Quarterly Summary of ERC Transactions; PA Department of Environmental Protection
4. Package Service Company Inc.; Experian Business Reports
5. Dot Label, Inc.; Missouri Secretary of State

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April 16, 1990

**SECTION:** Vol 9; No 36; Sec 1; pg 5

**LENGTH:** 449 words

**HEADLINE:** Allegheny Label Acquired by Kansas City Firm

**BYLINE:** Pat Berti

**DATeline:** Pittsburgh; PA; US; Middle Atlantic

**BODY:**

**Allegheny Label Inc.**, one of Pittsburgh's largest printing firms, was acquired earlier this month by Kansas City-based Package Service Co. Inc. (PSC). Terms of the deal were not disclosed.

Under the agreement, the Cheswick-based firm, which specializes in printing wrappers, packaging and labels, has been renamed Allegheny Graphics Inc. SEAL-PAK Bacon Board, a patented PSC product, is expected to be produced at the Pittsburgh plant.

PSC, a 30-year-old private company, projects 1990 sales of approximately \$ 55 million and within four years expects sales to reach \$ 120 million, according to Russell G. Jones, executive vice president and spokesman.

He said Allegheny Graphics is expected to generate 1990 sales of roughly \$ 10 million.

In addition to the Pittsburgh plant, PSC has manufacturing facilities in Colorado Springs, Colo.; Stockton, Calif.; and North Kansas City and Gardner, Kan.

Jones said the acquisition of the Pittsburgh plant satisfied PSC's corporate growth strategy of positioning itself on the East and West Coasts in 1989 and 1990.

"Allegheny's account base and equipment filled our needs," said Jones.

Allegheny, faced with lagging sales that dropped from \$ 11 million in 1988 to \$ 5 million in 1989, had been looking for a suitor, according to Charles T. Martin, former head of Allegheny and now general manager.

"We were looking to get with an organization that could provide sales and financial support," said Martin, who blamed a change in the packaging of oil and fierce competition as the reason for the sales decline.

According to Jones, there has been considerable consolidation in the printing industry, particularly in specialty niches, over the past five years, and he believes this trend will continue. He estimates the size of the label industry to be \$ 40 billion.

Martin, who has been with Allegheny since 1964, agrees. "It's very competitive . . . you can't exist anymore as a small private company.

During the last several years, a number of Pittsburgh-based printing and publishing firms have been purchased by outside concerns.

Pittsburgh Pennysaver was sold to the French Firm Comareg in 1986 and just two months ago was sold by Comareg for \$ 13.46 million to Trinity International, the England-based parent company of Gateway Press Inc.

In 1987, Financial Press of Pittsburgh was purchased by R.R. Donnelly & Sons Co. Financial Press' parent company, North Shore Communications, was the largest Pittsburgh printer in 1986 with sales of \$ 28 million.

And, in 1988, Hoechstetter Printing, another of the area's largest firms with 1989 sales over \$ 13 million and 140 employees, was acquired by Graphics Industries of Atlanta.

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April 9, 1990

**SECTION:** Vol 8; No 30; Sec 1; pg 8

**LENGTH:** 581 words

**HEADLINE:** KC Firm Seals New Growth, Buys Pittsburgh Company

**BYLINE:** Lola Butcher

**DATELINE:** Kansas City; MO; US; Midwest

**BODY:**

Package Service Co., a fast-growing Northland label company, has continued on its expansion course by acquiring **Allegheny Label Inc.**, a Pittsburgh-based flexible packaging and label company.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed. The Allegheny plant is expected to produce \$ 10 million in sales this year. Package Service, which has been growing at about 35 percent a year for the last four years, projects 1990 sales of about \$ 55 million, up from \$ 1 million in 1981. As part of the acquisition, Allegheny Label was renamed Allegheny Graphics Inc. Officials at that company could not be reached for comment. Its 50-member work force increases Package Service's staff to about 270 workers.

Package Service is owned by G. Wesley Nedblake and members of his family.

The company's most important technology is the patented Seal-Pak process, which allows Package Service to print a coupon or similar printed product and seal it in a clear plastic package all in one step. Previously, clients contracted with one company to produce the coupon, shipped the coupons to a packaging company and contracted with the packaging company to seal them in individual see-through packs. The Seal-Pak package meets Food & Drug Administration standards to be in direct contact with food, such as in a bag of chips or a box of breakfast cereal.

The Allegheny transaction marks the latest step in Package Service's program to increase its size by both acquisitions and internal growth. Russell Jones, a member of the firm's management team, said the company is expected to reach \$ 120 million in sales within the next three to four years.

Along with that growth track, Package Service plans to open a national sales, marketing and exhibition center next year in Ambassador Park, a Nedblake development close to Kansas City International Airport. The center will allow clients and potential clients to fly into Kansas City, meet with corporate executives, review examples of Package Services products, and fly home in a single day.

"We want to provide our clients with a single-stop reference point," Jones said.

Jones said the new plant increases Package Service's capacity in wide-web gravure printing for large-volume customers. Additionally, the Allegheny plant will produce the Seal-Pak Bacon Board, a new patented technology that is expected to be important to Package Service's growth plans. The technology allows Package Service to wrap the bacon cardboard package in plastic, which prevents the bacon from touching the cardboard package.

The company is just beginning to market the Bacon Board, and, Jones said, "the market looks to be virtually limitless."

The Allegheny transaction brings several high-profile customers to Package Service's account list, including J.M. Smuckers Co., H.J. Heinz and Dial Soap Corp. Package Service's clients include Louis Rich, a maker of packaged meats; Mountain Valley Water; Guy's Foods Inc.; and Williams Seasonings.

Marine Midland Business Loans Inc. arranged financing for the acquisition.

The purchase of the Allegheny plant follows Package Service's acquisition of Labels Inc., a Stockton, Calif., label manufacturer, in June 1989. Together, the two transactions give Package Service manufacturing locations on both the East and West coasts, which was a corporate goal, Jones said.

Besides those two plants, Package Service has manufacturing facilities in North Kansas City, Gardner in Johnson County, and Colorado Springs, Colo.

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## **Quarterly Summary of ERC Transactions**

The following ERC transactions are approved by the Bureau of Air Quality, Department of Environmental Protection, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The ERC transaction requirements are specified in 25 Pa. Code § 127.208.

### **4 ERC Generating Facility Information**

ERC Generating Facility Name: Package Service Company, Inc.

Location of Source: Cheswick, Allegheny County

Certified ERCs (tpy): 39.6 tons per year of VOCs

Amount of ERCs traded to Purchaser/Recipient: 39.6 tons per year of VOCs

Date of ERCs Transfer: 11/2/98

ERCs available for future use: None

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**Address:** 1800 NW VIVION RD  
KANSAS CITY, MO 64153

**Telephone:** 816-587-8100

**Experian File Number:** V00112053

**File Established:** 1/1977

**Contents:**

Business Description: SEE BELOW

Payment Information: SEE BELOW

Public Records Information: SEE BELOW

**\*\*\*\*\* BUSINESS DESCRIPTION \*\*\*\*\***

**Industry:** MISC CONV PAPER PROD

**SIC:** 2671 PAPER COATED & LAMINATED, MFRS

**Officers:**

GREG ELLIS, MANAGER  
TODD AUSTIN



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MISSOURI SECRETARY OF STATE

**Company Name:** DOT LABEL, INC.

**Type:** DOMESTIC BUSINESS CORPORATION

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Status Comment:** IN GOOD STANDING; ALL REQUIRED REPORTS FILED

**Status Date:** 4/17/2002

**Filing Date:** 1/2/1946

**Duration:** PERPETUAL

**Date of Incorporation/Qualification:** 1/2/1946

**State or Country of Incorporation:** MISSOURI

**Registered Agent:**

ROY BASH

Agent Appointed: 3/31/1998

**Registered Office:**

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PACKAGE SERVICE CO.

PACKAGE SERVICE COMPANY, INC.